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PROFESSIONAL.

YORK & FULKERSON, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, GORDON-BRISTOL, VA. Will practice in the Courts of Washington, Russell, Scott and Giles counties, etc., in Lancaster building. Aug 14, 1868.

W. N. CLARKSON, ATTORNEY AT LAW, BRISTOL, TENNESSEE. Will practice in the Courts of Tennessee and Virginia. Special attention to all business connected with the sale and purchase of real estate. Aug. 14 1868.

H. M. FOLSON, Attorney at Law and Collecting Agent, ELIZABETHVILLE, TENNESSEE. No. 14th, 1868.

BROWN & KIRKPATRICK, LAWYERS, JONESBOROUGH, TENNESSEE. Aug. 14, 1868.

JOSEPH T. CAMPBELL, ATTORNEY AT LAW, BRISTOL, VA. Practices regularly in the Courts of Washington, Smith, Russell and Scott counties, in the Circuit Court of Lee County, and the District Court at Abingdon. July 25, 1868.

M. L. BLACKLEY, ATTORNEY AT LAW AND COLLECTING AGENT, BRISTOL, VA. Will give his attention to such business as may be committed to his care. Collectors in Smith, Scott, Giles and East Tennessee. Aug. 14, 1868.

CHARLES E. VANCE, Attorney at Law and Solicitor in Chancery, ESTILLVILLE, SCOTTS CO., VA. Having recently removed from Bristol, Virginia, to Estillville, Scott County, Va., will practice in the several Courts in the counties of Lee, Scott, Russell, Giles and Washington, Va. Particular attention given to collecting the above named counties. Communications will hereafter be addressed to him as above. Aug. 14, 1868.

B. G. McDOWELL, Attorney at Law and Collecting Agent, UNION DEPOT, TENN. Will practice in the Circuit Courts of Greene, Hawkins, Washington and Sullivan counties, and in the Federal Court at Knoxville, and will attend promptly to all business connected with the collection of claims against the Government. Aug. 14 1868.

J. H. WOOD, ATTORNEY AT LAW, BRISTOL, VA. & TENN. Will practice in the Courts of Washington, Scott, and Lee Counties, Va., and Sullivan and Washington, Tenn. Particular attention paid to cases in Bankruptcy and the Collection of Claims. [Office West end Nickles House.] Aug. 14 1868.

M. L. BLACKLEY, ATTORNEY AT LAW AND COLLECTING AGENT, BRISTOL, VA. & TENN. Will practice in the Circuit Courts of Greene, Hawkins, Washington and Sullivan counties, Tennessee, and Washington County, Virginia. Particular attention will be given to all business connected with the collection of claims against the Government. Aug. 14, 1868.

CHARLES J. ST. JOHN, Attorney at Law and Collecting Agent, BLOUNTVILLE, TENN. Will attend promptly to all business connected with the collection of claims against the Government. Aug. 14, 1868.

DEAN & DEADERICK, ATTORNEYS AT LAW AND SOLICITORS IN CHANCERY, BRISTOL, VA. & TENN. Will practice in the Circuit Courts of Greene, Hawkins, Washington and Sullivan counties, Tennessee, and Washington County, Virginia. Particular attention will be given to all business connected with the collection of claims against the Government. Aug. 14, 1868.

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D. R. J. B. WINSTON, OFFERS his professional services to the citizens of Bristol and vicinity. Residence at First, West's, 1st door above Mrs. A. K. Moore's. Aug. 14, 1868.

D. R. W. N. VANCE, ATTORNEY AT LAW, BRISTOL, VA. Will attend to professional calls from town and country. Office in King's Block—first door on the right—op stairs. Aug. 14, 1868.

BRISTOL, VIRGINIA & TENNESSEE, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1868. (Whole No. 172.) NO. 16.

EXTRACTS FROM THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE VA. & TENN. RAILROAD.

To present briefly what has now been fully reviewed under this head, the following summary may be stated: I. Saved to the Company in a revision and re-estimate of the claims of the United States Government, on account of taxes, the sum of \$13,104.03. II. Amount of claims which demanded satisfaction on the very threshold of our administration, in round numbers 158,000.00. III. There were, at the date we assumed the management of the Road, 388 claims of record, and 151 belonging to that period, of which there was no indication upon the books of the Company, forming its floating debt, exclusive of past-due interest, amounting to \$63,221.06.

IV. The floating debt, as reported, cannot fall off greatly, owing to the movement of trains, as well as to the increase of the road. V. The number of passenger cars was, in the month of August, 1868, 100,000. VI. The number of freight cars was, in the month of August, 1868, 100,000. VII. The number of freight cars was, in the month of August, 1868, 100,000.

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ADVERTISING RATES. (TEN LINES MAKE A SQUARE.) One square, first insertion, \$1.00. Each subsequent insertion, 75. A liberal discount for standing advertisements. Ordinary notices over four lines will be charged at advertising rates.

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stirring years. In the ramifications of the family we find them connected with the Watts, Payson, Carringtons, Whites and other names. One of the younger members marrying a Miss Lee, of the same State. The names and connections of Tennessee, the Haris, Teds, Castleman and Parnes, of Kentucky, the Mays, of New York, &c., spreading all over the South and West, and everywhere rising to eminence. Among them have been great lawyers, preachers, professors, governors, senators, cabinet ministers, general officers, politicians. They were generally wealthy, and almost universally successful, and while many of them were intense rebels and intense pro-slavery men, others of them were historic enemies to the institution. Although coming to this country from Ireland, the Prestons were Englishmen. The father of John Preston served under King William. He was a Presbyterian minister, a man of sound mind and correct principles. That he was a man of high character and a man of high position is attested by the fact that he was a member of the House of Commons, and was a member of the House of Commons.

THE MARQUIS OF HASTINGS.

His Sicel Life and Early Death. [From the N. Y. World of the 11th] We are informed by cable telegram this morning that the Marquis of Hastings, at once one of the most noble, most unprincipled and most equipped patrons of the British race, has gone to his fatherly duty in his twenty-sixth year, leaving behind him a wife and two children, and a large fortune. He was a man of high position and high character, and his death is a great loss to the British race. He was a man of high position and high character, and his death is a great loss to the British race.

The Great Preston Family.

(Correspondence of Cincinnati Gazette, Lexington, Nov. 13.) There was a reference, in the columns of the Gazette, a few days ago, to the relation of the Great Preston Family, and it is not without interest to the reader to see the names of the members of the family in the late Presidential campaign. Perhaps a short history of that family would be of interest to the reader, and it is not without interest to the reader to see the names of the members of the family in the late Presidential campaign.

ROAD DEPARTMENT.

The road bed, embracing cuts, banks, ditches, culverts, and bridges, all more or less in need of repair, was the subject of an important report, and the report is a valuable one. The road bed, embracing cuts, banks, ditches, culverts, and bridges, all more or less in need of repair, was the subject of an important report, and the report is a valuable one.